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SIXTEENTH YEAR

145TH UTAH FIELD ARTILLERY WILL ARRIVE SOON

Now that it has been decided that the 145th Utah Field Artillery shall demobilize at the Utah Agricultural College, a great and important responsibility rests upon the citizens of Logan and the officials of the Agricultural College in acting the part of the host for the entire state. Approximately 1200 soldiers will be here. They come from all parts of Utah, southern Idaho, and parts of Nevada.

The Soldiers' Welfare committee which represents the City, Commercial Club and City Council of Deseret met Monday evening and decided that the entire Commercial Club should be asked to assist. Accordingly a meeting of the directors of the Club, heads of certain committees, Lieutenant Force and representatives of the college was held Tuesday evening. It will be one of the great events in the history of Logan after the demobilization, a Cache County celebration will be held for all the boys of the county no matter what branch of service they were in. Arrangements no doubt will be made to have all the soldier boys in the county who have returned, be present in uniform at the time of the arrival of the 145th and escort it to the barracks. These details will be worked out and announced later.

For fear that some of the relatives and friends of the 145th in other parts of the state may hesitate to come to Logan because of the lack of accommodations, an early canvass of the city will be made and every home that can accommodate one or more persons will be listed. The committees will be prepared to handle any number that may come. All the details will be announced very soon. A great deal of work lies ahead and it is hoped there will be the closest cooperation on the part of the citizens in helping out in every way possible. A great honor has been conferred upon us and we must show the state that we are able to take care of this big undertaking.

All citizens, if you can accommodate one or more visitors during the demobilization of the 145th call the Commercial club at once. Many visitors from all parts of the state and southern Idaho will be here. They cannot sleep in the streets. It is up to you to help out. You are not asked to do this free of charge, but you must not be exorbitant in your charges. We must show the state that we can be a good host and provide the necessary accommodations for the many guests that will come.

WHAT PECK DID DURING THE WAR

J. W. Ellingson of the Utah Idaho Central Railroad company received a novel Xmas card in the form of an original verse from T. G. Peck, well known railroad man of Los Angeles. The letter reads:

Dear Walter:
My shoes are worn.
My suit's not new.
But I'm lending money to McAdoo.
I am also wearing my last year's lid,
But I'm buying milk for a Belgian kid.
I've done my bit to lick the Hun,
Merry Xmas to you you son of a gun

SQR BOY ITES TO HIS MOTHER

Mr. Johnson of this city is the recipient of a letter from her son who has been fighting with the French. The letter follows:

Nowhere in Belgium,
Nov. 27, 1918.
Dear Mother:
I received your letter of October 20th and was glad to hear from you and note that you are yet "caught by the flu." I am all too healthy over here, catch any sickness, or else because we move around so much there isn't time for sickness. I noted that all public houses closed at home. On the way they have been opened up in all four sides with high explosives and air raids, and now the purpose of billeting soldiers. You said you often wonder what kind of a hell I have at night. It is hard to say, as I have the same one two nights in a row, but usually I have the best of it.

When the war was finished the big question arises "How long must we wait for our return to the states?" The rumors of going back every day but as yet we are still enjoying soldier life over here. I hope spring I will see the good old home again. I have moved about considerably in sunny France and Belgium, but take me back to the "dear old town" as you call the lake shore.

When you have received more letters from me of late, if not don't blame, blame "Fritz," as he is called the blame this season. Mother I am well and happy. I expect to arrive home in the best of condition before many months. Be patient.

Lots of love, from your son,
ALEX JOHNSON.

PEOPLE ABROAD WE CONDOLE

Roosevelt received a cablegram of sympathy from President Wilson, reading as follows: "We accept my heartfelt sympathy on the death of your distinguished husband, the news of which shocked me very much."

Roosevelt received the following cablegram from King George of England:

"The queen and I have heard with feelings of deep regret of the death of my distinguished husband and we feel our most sincere sympathy in your irreparable loss. We had a personal regard for him and we always enjoyed meeting him. He will be missed by many friends in this country, to whom he endeared himself by his attractive character and his talents."

Another, Queen Mother of England, read the following:

"I am indeed grieved to hear of the death of your great and distinguished husband, for whom I had the warmest regard. Please accept my deepest sympathy on the irreparable loss you have suffered."

Former President Taft came the following, dated Harrisburg, Pa.:

"I am shocked to hear of the bad news. My heart goes out to you and yours in great sorrow. The country can ill afford in this critical period of history to lose one who has done so much for it and humanity."

A Square Deal For The Man At The Front.

(By Theodore Roosevelt in the Kansas City Star December 25, 1918.)

"We should show our respect for the men at the front by more than mere adulation. They are the Americans who have done most and suffered most for their country. It was announced in the press that in many cases they and the families they have left behind have not for months received their full pay. This is an outrage. All civil officials are paid. The Secretary of War is paid, and he ought not to touch a dollar of his salary until the enlisted men and junior officers are paid every cent that is owing to them. And this payment should be prompt. There is literally no excuse for even so much as three days delay in the payment."

"HAVE MADE SACRIFICES

"Moreover, these men, at great cost to themselves, in paying everything, including in 50,000 or 60,000 cases, their lives, have gone to the front at a wage from one-half to one-fifth as great as that of their companions who stayed behind have received during the same period. They enlisted to do a specific job. They made the sacrifice in order to do that job. We on our side should see that just as soon as the job is done the men are taken home, allowed to leave the Army, and begin earning their livelihood and take care of their wives and children that married ones among them have left behind."

"Recently in the public press, there have appeared various articles and chatty statements from the State, War and Navy departments that our men might be kept in Europe to do general police work and might not be brought back here until the summer of 1920. There are three types of soldiers on the other side—there are the Regular Army men, who have entered the Regular Army as a profession and to whom it is a matter of indifference whether they stay in Europe, come back home, go to the Philippines, or to do anything else."

"NO THOUGHT OF POLICE WORK

That is a small proportion of our forces on the other side; the bulk are divided between volunteers, who enlisted in the National Guard or sometimes in the Regular regiments to fight this war through, and the drafted men, who were put into the Army under a law designed to meet this war and this war only. Not one in ten of the volunteers would have dreamed of volunteering to do police work in European squabbles. Not ten Congressmen would have voted for the draft law if it was to force selective men to do police duty after the war was over. All these men went in to fight this war through to a finish and then to come home."

"It is not a square deal to follow any other course as regards them. The minute that peace comes every American soldier on the other side should be brought home as speedily as possible, save, of course, the Regulars, who make the Regular Army their life professions, and any other man who chose to volunteer to go over or who can with entire propriety be used for gathering up the loose ends."

"GIVE HIM SQUARE DEAL

The American fighting man at the front has given this country a square deal during the war. Now let the country give him a square deal by letting him get out of the army and go to his home as soon as the war is finished. The Red Cross has done wonderful work in taking care of the dependents of these men pending settlement by the Government but the Government should not be content to rely on any outside organization to make up its own shortcomings."

done so much for it and humanity. We have lost a great patriotic American, a great world figure, the most commanding personality in our public life since Lincoln. I mourn his loss as a personal loss. Mrs. Taft and I tender our sincere and deepest sympathy."

FRENCH PRESIDENT CABLES SYMPATHY

Paris, Jan. 5.—As soon as President Poincaré heard of Colonel Roosevelt's death, he sent a cablegram of sympathy to Mrs. Roosevelt. He also telegraphed to Lieut. Col. Theodore Roosevelt Jr., and Captain Kermit Roosevelt, who are with the American army of occupation at Coblenz.

Rene Viviani former premier, said concerning the death of former President Roosevelt:

"I feel with grief of the death of Roosevelt. He was a friend of France. I can remember him during

our mission of 1917 to America. I can see him in New York and I can hear again his first words to me: 'I and my four sons are in the service for righteousness.'"

"He died after victory. Let us be united in saluting his great memory."

MEETING FOR AUTOMOBILE OWNERS

At the meeting of the directors of the Commercial club held Tuesday evening it was decided that a special committee be appointed to solicit memberships in the Utah Automobile association and in the very near fu-

LOGAN SOLDIERS TO BE ENTERTAINED FRIDAY

The Logan boys are coming back from the army in increasing numbers now. Probably 100 or more are now home and being cordially welcomed by their friends.

The Logan Welcome Home Committee feels that it is time the city added its welcome. An entertainment should be given these boys before we find ourselves overwhelmed by the coming of the 145th. At that time we shall act as host for the entire state and have soldiers from every part of Utah, Southern Idaho, and parts of Nevada.

Now is the time to do something for our Logan boys who have returned. Nor should we forget the soldier mothers and wives, and the local Red Cross nurses who have done so much faithful work during the recent epidemic.

Accordingly on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Lyric theatre an entertainment will be given to which all Logan soldiers, all Logan war mothers and wives of returned soldiers, and all Red Cross nurses are invited. It will begin at 2 o'clock promptly and there will be music, some speeches and several motion pictures. Following this entertainment, the guests will adjourn to the rooms of the Commercial club where refreshments will be served and a social hour enjoyed.

Logan's Welcome Home Committee wants every Logan soldier now home to be present without fail. Also all war mothers of Logan and wives of returned soldiers and Red Cross nurses are expected to be present.

ture to arrange for a meeting of all automobile owners of the county. The reducing of the price of gasoline logging important highways, placing uniform and standard road signs, creating public sentiment for better highways, advertising the resources of the county and state and scenic highways and other things that will interest the tourists, were some of the many advantages to be gained by the automobile owners in this county becoming affiliated with the state association.

The following memberships were taken at the meeting: Roy Bullen, M. S. Eccles, H. E. Hatch, Dr. I. S. Smith, L. M. Howell and Dr. George A. Hill. This year much more tourist traffic is expected than heretofore. We have been on side-lines with railroads but we don't want any sidelines with the highways. We are on the direct road to the National Park and Bear Lake and if the tourists don't come our way, it is because of bad roads. Good roads always attract the tourists. Join now. For further information call Commercial Club.

Silent Crowds Gather To Witness Funeral Of Col Roosevelt

OYSTER BAY, Jan. 8.—Long before the hour set for the simple funeral services for Theodore Roosevelt this afternoon silent crowds of villagers and visitors collected in the vicinity of Sagamore Hill, Christ Episcopal church and Young's Memorial cemetery. Many tried in vain to gain admittance to the spacious grounds of the Roosevelt estate, but mounted police special deputy sheriffs and detectives kept all on the move.

Only the immediate members of

ELDER BALLARD CHOSEN AS AN APOSTLE

At a special meeting of the First Presidency and the Council of Twelve in the temple Monday forenoon, Melvin J. Ballard, president of the Northwestern States mission was ordained an apostle and was set apart as a member of the Council of the Twelve by President Heber J. Grant.

Elder Melvin J. Ballard, son of Henry Howard and Margaret McNeal Ballard was born in Logan, Utah, Feb. 9, 1872. He attended the district schools and Brigham Young college and graduated from the B. Y. C. in 1894.

He was ordained an elder about 1890 and was called to take a mission in the United States by President Wilford Woodruff and accompanied Elders B. H. Roberts and Geo. P. Pyper in 1896. He spent several months in the branches of the church visiting the large cities of the United States and was then assigned to the Northern States mission to continue his labors. He was there two years after that.

Returning to Logan he assisted in organizing the Logan Knitting Factory and building it up until it became a thriving and prosperous institution.

He was chairman of the Tabernacle choir committee for 17 years, and with others was instrumental in installing the beautiful pipe organ in the tabernacle at Logan.

Elder Ballard was chosen as second counselor to the bishop of the Second ward in Logan and served in that capacity for six years. He was chosen a member of the high council of Cache in the spring of 1909. With Elder Jos. W. McMurrin he was called on a short term mission to the Northwestern States mission, Boise valley and with him assisted in establishing the Boise branch which is now a stake. He was called to preside over the Northwestern States mission on April 6, 1909, and was so engaged when called to the apostleship.

He married Martha Jones of Farmington in June, 1896. She was a step daughter of Jeremiah Jones. They have been blessed with eight children of whom seven are living, four boys and three girls. His oldest son is a lieutenant in the U. S. army.

The family were present at the prayer services at the home prior to the rites at Christ church.

ADMISSION BY CARD

Admission to the little village church, where the colonel worshipped, was by card and was limited to less than five hundred. President Wilson was represented by Vice President Thomas R. Marshall, the army by General Peyton C. March and the navy by Admiral C. McR. Winslow and delegations represented both branches of Congress. Governor Alfred E. Smith and leaders of both branches of the legislature represented New York State.

Melvin Alfred Batt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Batt of the Fifth ward died at his home yesterday morning from pneumonia superinduced by influenza. The young man was but seventeen years of age and had been ill only a few days. He was the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Batt, and was extremely popular at the High School and in the younger circles of Logan. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.